



1725
IPW

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited in the United States Postal Service as first class mail in the envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia, 22313-1450, on

5-18-04
Date of Deposit
[Signature]
Attorney

27,922
Reg. No.

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Applicant : James M. Keegan et al.
Appln. No. : 09/965,142
Filed : September 27, 2001
Title : ALUMINUM METAL-CORE WELD WIRE
AND METHOD FOR FORMING THE SAME
Docket No. : 483471-009-C1
Examiner : Elve, Maria Alexandra
Art Unit : 1725

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1)

This supplemental information disclosure statement is being filed after the issuance of the first Official Action and prior to the issuance of the final rejection or notice of allowance. This statement is accompanied by a Certification Under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the Examiner's attention is directed to the references listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation, copies of which are attached.

Each item of information contained in this supplemental information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from the Patent Office of the People's Republic of China in corresponding Chinese Application No. 01141538.X not more than three months prior to the

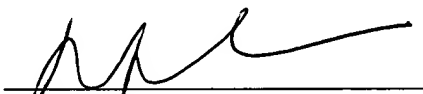
Appln. No.: 09/965,142
Docket No.: 483471-009-C1
Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and
Certification Under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1)

filing of this supplemental information disclosure statement. A copy of the Official Action issued February 27, 2004, is enclosed herewith for reference.

It is to be understood that the present submission of art is in no way intended to be a waiver of any arguments or defenses available to the applicant under the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the statutes of the United States.

No fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required by this paper or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0809.

Respectfully submitted:

By: 
Mark P. Levy
Reg. No. 27,922

THOMPSON HINE LLP
2000 Courthouse Plaza N.E.
10 West Second Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402-1758
Telephone: (937) 443-6949
Facsimile: (937) 443-6635

#340705

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION



Docket: 483471-009-C1	Appln. No.: 09/965,142
Applicant: James M. Keegan et al.	
Filed: September 27, 2001	Group: 1725

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner		Document No.	Date	Name	Class	Sub	
		5,520,321	05/1996	Childree			
		4,571,480	02/1986	Sakai et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT

							Trans	
Examiner		Document No.	Date	Country	Class	Sub	Y	N

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

Examiner:	Date Considered:	

* Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.